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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 AND PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action (Final Rejection) mailed on September 3, 2004,

Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments and remarks be considered and made of record and that the final rejection be reconsidered and withdrawn.